

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Friday, November 11, 2016 – 0800 MT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity**

|                               |                       |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Initial attack activity:      | Light (135 new fires) |
| New large incidents:          | 11                    |
| Large fires contained:        | 5                     |
| Uncontained large fires:**    | 31                    |
| Area Command Teams Committed: | 0                     |
| NIMOs committed:              | 0                     |
| Type 1 IMTs committed:        | 2                     |
| Type 2 IMTs committed:        | 3                     |

\*\*Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.  
[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

**Southern Area (PL 5)**

|                          |     |
|--------------------------|-----|
| New fires:               | 112 |
| New large incidents:     | 11  |
| Uncontained large fires: | 31  |
| Type 1 IMTs committed:   | 2   |
| Type 2 IMTs committed:   | 3   |

\* **Rock Mountain**, Chattahoochee-Oconee NF. Two miles south of Tate City, GA. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior with flanking, backing and short crown runs. Structures threatened.

**Party Rock**, North Carolina Forest Service. IMT 2 (Brandon). One mile north of Lake Lure, NC. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with wind driven runs, uphill runs and isolated torching. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area and trail closures in effect.

**Boteler**, National Forests in North Carolina. IMT 1 (Dueitt). IMT is also managing the Tellico, Ferebee Memorial, Dick's Creek, Knob, and Cliffside fires. Nine miles east of Hayesville, NC. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, backing and flanking. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Tellico**, National Forests in North Carolina. Three miles south of Almond, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with backing and flanking. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road and trail closures in effect.

**Ferebee Memorial**, National Forests in North Carolina. One mile north of Nantahala, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with flanking and backing. Structures threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

**Dick's Creek**, National Forests in North Carolina. Two miles northwest of Sylva, NC. Hardwood litter, short grass and timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

**Knob**, National Forests in North Carolina. Ten miles southwest of Franklin, NC. Closed timber litter and hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Area and trail closures in effect.

**Cliffside**, National Forests in North Carolina. Three miles northwest of Highlands, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

\* **Eastern Cherokee Complex**, Eastern Cherokee Agency (2 fires). IMT 1 (Wilkins) Complex includes previously reported Dobson 3 and Washington's Creek fires. Four miles east of Cherokee, NC. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with flanking and backing. Structures threatened.

**Old Roughy**, National Forests in North Carolina. IMT 2 (Esperance). IMT is also managing the Maple Springs and Avey Branch fires. Five miles north of Pelham, TN. Hardwood litter, timber and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs and short-range spotting. Structures threatened. Road closures in effect.

**Maple Springs**, National Forests in North Carolina. Three miles northwest of Santeetlah Lake, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs and short-range spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations, road and trail closures in effect.

**Avey Branch**, National Forests in North Carolina. One mile northwest of Santeetlah Lake, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and brush. No new information.

**Raven Rock**, George Washington & Jefferson NF. Started on private land one mile east of Jenkins, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Numerous structures threatened. Trail closures in effect.

**Rough Ridge**, Chattahoochee-Oconee NF. IMT 2 (Bentley). Thirteen miles northwest of Blue Ridge, GA. Hardwood litter, timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with wind driven runs, backing and flanking. Structures threatened. Area and trail closures in effect.

\* **Gatliff**, Kentucky DOF. Five miles south of Gatliff, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

**Flippers Bend**, Tennessee DOF. Three miles southwest of Soddy Daisy, TN. Timber and hardwood litter. No new information.

**Big Rock #3**, Tennessee DOF. Started on private land nine miles east of Crossville TN. Timber and hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Mountain Creek**, Ozark & St. Francis NF. Seventeen miles north of Ozark, AR. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Trail closures in effect.

**Steel Trap**, Daniel Boone NF. One mile south of Tuttle, KY. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior. No new information.

\* **Lookout Mountain**, Georgia Forestry Commission. Fifteen miles southwest of Trenton, GA. Hardwood litter and timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and backing. Structures threatened.

\* **Chestnut Knob**, North Carolina Forest Service. Three miles south of Enola, NC. Hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior with creeping. Structures threatened.

**Ellen Lane**, Kentucky DOF. Two miles south of Gray, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

**Kentucky Ridge**, Kentucky DOF. One mile northwest of Chenoa, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

\* **Laurel Run Park Road**, Tennessee DOF. Started on private land three miles southeast of Church Hill, TN. Timber. Minimal fire behavior.

**May Branch**, National Forests in North Carolina. Seven miles southeast of Andrews, NC. Hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**SR116 - Gilmore Trail**, Tennessee DOF. Started on private land two miles south of Fork Mountain, TN. Timber. No new information.

\* **Garrett**, Kentucky DOF. Three miles north of West Garrett, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

**Jones Gap**, National Forests in North Carolina. Three miles northwest of Highlands, NC. Closed timber litter, hardwood litter and short grass. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Big Four Road**, Tennessee DOF. Started on private land three miles southwest of Newcomb, TN. Timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Moses Creek**, National Forests in North Carolina. Four miles northeast of Cullowhee, NC. Hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Charles Branch Lane**, Tennessee DOF. Four miles southeast of Fork Mountain, TN. Timber. No new information.

**Cemetery**, Daniel Boone NF. Two miles northwest of Brightshage, KY. Hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

\* **Pinnacle Mountain**, South Carolina Forestry Commission. Three miles southeast of Rocky Bottom, SC. Hardwood Litter and Timber. Active fire behavior with torching. Area and trail closures in effect.

| Incident Name              | Unit   | Size   |       | %  | Ctn/<br>Comp | Est   | Personnel |      | Resources |     |      | Strc<br>Lost | \$\$<br>CTD | Origin<br>Own |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|-------|----|--------------|-------|-----------|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
|                            |        | Acres  | Chge  |    |              |       | Total     | Chge | Crw       | Eng | Heli |              |             |               |
| * Rock Mountain            | GA-CHF | 300    | ---   | 2  | Ctn          | 12/01 | 40        | ---  | 0         | 4   | 0    | 0            | 100K        | FS            |
| Party Rock                 | NC-NCS | 977    | 542   | 15 | Comp         | 12/01 | 165       | 59   | 8         | 3   | 1    | 0            | 106K        | ST            |
| Boteler                    | NC-NCF | 4,767  | 1,263 | 12 | Ctn          | 11/20 | 538       | 40   | 10        | 38  | 8    | 0            | 3.2M        | FS            |
| Tellico                    | NC-NCF | 6,839  | 1,679 | 18 | Ctn          | 11/20 | 137       | 43   | 4         | 15  | 2    | 0            | 597K        | FS            |
| Ferebee Memorial           | NC-NCF | 2,061  | 456   | 28 | Ctn          | 11/30 | 66        | 31   | 1         | 9   | 0    | 0            | 144K        | FS            |
| Dick's Creek               | NC-NCF | 728    | 0     | 85 | Ctn          | 11/14 | 59        | -23  | 2         | 4   | 0    | 0            | 621K        | FS            |
| Knob                       | NC-NCF | 1,130  | 0     | 80 | Ctn          | UNK   | 3         | -25  | 0         | 1   | 0    | 0            | 102K        | FS            |
| Cliffside                  | NC-NCF | 101    | 0     | 98 | Ctn          | UNK   | 29        | 0    | 1         | 2   | 0    | 0            | 184K        | FS            |
| * Eastern Cherokee Complex | NC-ECA | 486    | ---   | 40 | Ctn          | UNK   | 130       | ---  | 4         | 6   | 0    | 0            | 100K        | BIA           |
| Old Roughy                 | NC-NCF | 364    | 64    | 1  | Ctn          | 12/05 | 0         | -8   | 0         | 0   | 0    | 0            | 13K         | FS            |
| Maple Springs              | NC-NCF | 5,083  | 1,169 | 10 | Ctn          | 12/05 | 192       | 51   | 4         | 10  | 0    | 0            | 437K        | FS            |
| Avey Branch                | NC-NCF | 1,200  | ---   | 17 | Ctn          | 11/25 | 0         | ---  | 0         | 0   | 0    | 0            | 800K        | FS            |
| Raven Rock                 | VA-VAF | 2,402  | 0     | 35 | Ctn          | 11/18 | 0         | 0    | 0         | 0   | 0    | 2            | 500K        | PRI           |
| Rough Ridge                | GA-CHF | 10,336 | 3,129 | 20 | Comp         | 11/30 | 227       | -69  | 5         | 8   | 2    | 0            | 3.2M        | FS            |
| * Gatliff                  | KY-KYS | 1,223  | ---   | 40 | Ctn          | 11/19 | 13        | ---  | 1         | 1   | 0    | 0            | 3K          | ST            |
| Flippers Bend              | TN-TNS | 800    | ---   | 50 | Ctn          | 11/15 | 32        | ---  | 0         | 3   | 2    | 0            | 150K        | ST            |
| Big Rock #3                | TN-TNS | 470    | ---   | 96 | Ctn          | UNK   | 10        | ---  | 0         | 0   | 0    | 0            | 1K          | PRI           |
| Mountain Creek             | AR-OZF | 441    | 0     | 50 | Ctn          | 11/30 | 5         | 0    | 0         | 1   | 0    | 0            | 30K         | FS            |
| Steel Trap                 | KY-DBF | 358    | ---   | 75 | Ctn          | 11/12 | 43        | ---  | 1         | 1   | 0    | 0            | 90K         | FS            |

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|------------------------|--------|-------|------|-----|--------------|-------|-----------|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
|                        |        | Acres | Chge |     |              |       | Total     | Chge | Crw       | Eng | Heli |              |             |               |
| * Lookout Mountain     | GA-GAS | 350   | ---  | 25  | Ctn          | 11/30 | 21        | ---  | 0         | 6   | 1    | 0            | 25K         | ST            |
| * Chestnut Knob        | NC-NCS | 300   | ---  | 30  | Ctn          | 11/23 | 26        | ---  | 2         | 2   | 0    | 0            | 5K          | ST            |
| Ellen Lane             | KY-KYS | 300   | 0    | 50  | Ctn          | 11/12 | 10        | 0    | 1         | 0   | 0    | 0            | 4K          | ST            |
| Kentucky Ridge         | KY-KYS | 300   | 0    | 60  | Ctn          | 11/14 | 19        | 2    | 2         | 2   | 0    | 0            | 9K          | ST            |
| * Laurel Run Park Road | TN-TNS | 200   | ---  | 90  | Ctn          | 12/07 | 20        | ---  | 1         | 3   | 0    | 0            | 1K          | PRI           |
| May Branch             | NC-NCF | 175   | ---  | 78  | Ctn          | UNK   | 8         | ---  | 0         | 1   | 0    | 0            | 55K         | FS            |
| SR116 - Gilmore Trail  | TN-TNS | 150   | ---  | 90  | Ctn          | UNK   | 0         | ---  | 0         | 0   | 0    | 0            | 1K          | PRI           |
| * Garrett              | KY-KYS | 122   | ---  | 80  | Ctn          | 11/12 | 11        | ---  | 1         | 1   | 0    | 0            | 1K          | ST            |
| Jones Gap              | NC-NCF | 115   | ---  | 80  | Ctn          | UNK   | 12        | ---  | 1         | 0   | 0    | 0            | 55K         | FS            |
| Big Four Road          | TN-TNS | 115   | ---  | 99  | Ctn          | UNK   | 0         | ---  | 0         | 0   | 0    | 0            | 2K          | PRI           |
| Moses Creek            | NC-NCF | 103   | ---  | 80  | Ctn          | UNK   | 34        | ---  | 1         | 1   | 2    | 0            | 24K         | FS            |
| Charles Branch Lane    | TN-TNS | 100   | ---  | 88  | Ctn          | UNK   | 0         | ---  | 0         | 0   | 0    | 0            | 1K          | PRI           |
| Cemetery               | KY-DBF | 100   | ---  | 75  | Ctn          | UNK   | 29        | ---  | 1         | 0   | 1    | 0            | 90K         | FS            |
| * Pinnacle Mountain    | SC-SCS | 100   | ---  | 0   | Ctn          | 11/19 | 58        | ---  | 2         | 0   | 2    | 0            | 25K         | ST            |
| * Providence           | GA-GAS | 228   | ---  | 100 | Ctn          | ---   | 11        | ---  | 0         | 2   | 0    | 0            | 55K         | ST            |
| Duty                   | VA-VAS | 190   | 0    | 100 | Ctn          | ---   | 27        | 0    | 1         | 2   | 0    | 0            | 2K          | PRI           |
| * Abner Br             | KY-KYS | 185   | ---  | 100 | Ctn          | ---   | 25        | ---  | 2         | 2   | 0    | 0            | 1K          | ST            |
| Shoulderblade 2        | KY-KYS | 164   | 0    | 100 | Ctn          | ---   | 7         | 0    | 1         | 0   | 0    | 0            | 6K          | ST            |
| * CR93                 | AL-ALS | 122   | ---  | 100 | Ctn          | ---   | 0         | ---  | 0         | 0   | 0    | 0            | 2K          | PRI           |

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| Active Incident Resource Summary |           |                  |            |            |             |                 |
|----------------------------------|-----------|------------------|------------|------------|-------------|-----------------|
| GACC                             | Fires     | Cumulative Acres | Crews      | Engines    | Helicopters | Total Personnel |
| AICC                             | 0         | 0                | 0          | 0          | 0           | 0               |
| NWCC                             | 0         | 0                | 0          | 0          | 0           | 0               |
| ONCC                             | 0         | 0                | 0          | 0          | 0           | 0               |
| OSCC                             | 0         | 0                | 0          | 0          | 0           | 0               |
| NRCC                             | 1         | 687              | 0          | 0          | 0           | 1               |
| GBCC                             | 0         | 0                | 0          | 0          | 0           | 0               |
| SWCC                             | 0         | 0                | 0          | 0          | 0           | 0               |
| RMCC                             | 2         | 18,740           | 2          | 4          | 1           | 107             |
| EACC                             | 0         | 0                | 0          | 0          | 0           | 0               |
| SACC                             | 67        | 77,507.5         | 136        | 184        | 25          | 3,067           |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>70</b> | <b>96,934.5</b>  | <b>138</b> | <b>188</b> | <b>26</b>   | <b>3,175</b>    |

**Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):**

| <b>Area</b>              |       | <b>BIA</b> | <b>BLM</b> | <b>FWS</b> | <b>NPS</b> | <b>ST/OT</b> | <b>USFS</b> | <b>TOTAL</b> |
|--------------------------|-------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Alaska Area              | FIRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 0           | <b>0</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 0           | <b>0</b>     |
| Northwest Area           | FIRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 2           | <b>2</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 0           | <b>0</b>     |
| Northern California Area | FIRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 0           | <b>0</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 0           | <b>0</b>     |
| Southern California Area | FIRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 10           | 3           | <b>13</b>    |
|                          | ACRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 4            | 1           | <b>5</b>     |
| Northern Rockies Area    | FIRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 0           | <b>0</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 0           | <b>0</b>     |
| Great Basin Area         | FIRES | 0          | 1          | 0          | 0          | 1            | 0           | <b>2</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 0           | <b>0</b>     |
| Southwest Area           | FIRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 0           | <b>0</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 0           | <b>0</b>     |
| Rocky Mountain Area      | FIRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 1            | 1           | <b>2</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0            | 0           | <b>0</b>     |
| Eastern Area             | FIRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 1          | 2            | 1           | <b>4</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 1          | 29           | 0           | <b>30</b>    |
| Southern Area            | FIRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 107          | 5           | <b>112</b>   |
|                          | ACRES | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 941          | 15          | <b>956</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>      |       | <b>0</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>0</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>121</b>   | <b>12</b>   | <b>135</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>      |       | <b>0</b>   | <b>0</b>   | <b>0</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>974</b>   | <b>16</b>   | <b>991</b>   |

**Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Protection):**

| <b>Area</b>              |       | <b>BIA</b>     | <b>BLM</b>       | <b>FWS</b>    | <b>NPS</b>     | <b>ST/OT</b>     | <b>USFS</b>      | <b>TOTAL</b>     |
|--------------------------|-------|----------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Alaska Area              | FIRES | 0              | 183              | 0             | 0              | 357              | 19               | <b>559</b>       |
|                          | ACRES | 0              | 390,706          | 0             | 0              | 104,837          | 3                | <b>495,546</b>   |
| Northwest Area           | FIRES | 299            | 251              | 30            | 26             | 1,266            | 672              | <b>2,544</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 41,132         | 324,979          | 2,778         | 5,042          | 61,534           | 48,381           | <b>483,846</b>   |
| Northern California Area | FIRES | 111            | 9                | 1             | 26             | 2,745            | 431              | <b>3,323</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 145            | 227              | 1             | 5              | 48,989           | 46,109           | <b>95,476</b>    |
| Southern California Area | FIRES | 13             | 91               | 11            | 54             | 3,192            | 1,169            | <b>4,530</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 5,971          | 30,037           | 405           | 1,131          | 124,290          | 303,292          | <b>465,126</b>   |
| Northern Rockies Area    | FIRES | 798            | 99               | 11            | 27             | 1,260            | 472              | <b>2,667</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 14,721         | 5,851            | 2,013         | 61,914         | 42,192           | 61,511           | <b>188,202</b>   |
| Great Basin Area         | FIRES | 35             | 747              | 7             | 58             | 654              | 545              | <b>2,046</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 12,439         | 303,201          | 3             | 24,239         | 139,275          | 281,055          | <b>760,212</b>   |
| Southwest Area           | FIRES | 871            | 246              | 11            | 65             | 910              | 1,168            | <b>3,271</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 80,802         | 66,534           | 6,976         | 32,187         | 131,857          | 259,313          | <b>577,669</b>   |
| Rocky Mountain Area      | FIRES | 845            | 448              | 14            | 24             | 1,317            | 738              | <b>3,386</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 23,251         | 35,076           | 615           | 2,140          | 515,870          | 99,043           | <b>675,995</b>   |
| Eastern Area             | FIRES | 504            | 0                | 30            | 52             | 8,556            | 405              | <b>9,547</b>     |
|                          | ACRES | 2,189          | 0                | 1,113         | 965            | 57,774           | 7,226            | <b>69,267</b>    |
| Southern Area            | FIRES | 397            | 1                | 59            | 74             | 24,089           | 624              | <b>25,244</b>    |
|                          | ACRES | 133,366        | 1                | 1,555         | 28,941         | 1,038,872        | 73,375           | <b>1,276,110</b> |
| <b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>      |       | <b>3,873</b>   | <b>2,075</b>     | <b>174</b>    | <b>406</b>     | <b>44,346</b>    | <b>6,243</b>     | <b>57,117</b>    |
| <b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>      |       | <b>314,016</b> | <b>1,156,612</b> | <b>15,459</b> | <b>156,564</b> | <b>2,265,490</b> | <b>1,179,308</b> | <b>5,087,449</b> |

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| <b>Ten Year Average Fires (2006 – 2015 as of today)</b> | <b>64,388</b>    |
| <b>Ten Year Average Acres (2006 – 2015 as of today)</b> | <b>6,807,801</b> |

**Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Ownership):**

| Area                     |       | BIA           | BLM        | FWS       | NPS        | ST/OT        | USFS         | TOTAL         |
|--------------------------|-------|---------------|------------|-----------|------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Alaska Area              | FIRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 0          | 0            | 0            | 0             |
|                          | ACRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 0          | 0            | 0            | 0             |
| Northwest Area           | FIRES | 0             | 5          | 0         | 0          | 0            | 0            | 5             |
|                          | ACRES | 0             | 127        | 0         | 0          | 0            | 51           | 178           |
| Northern California Area | FIRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 0          | 0            | 0            | 0             |
|                          | ACRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 2          | 0            | 0            | 2             |
| Southern California Area | FIRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 1          | 0            | 1            | 2             |
|                          | ACRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 25         | 0            | 25           | 50            |
| Northern Rockies Area    | FIRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 0          | 0            | 2            | 2             |
|                          | ACRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 0          | 0            | 18           | 18            |
| Great Basin Area         | FIRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 0          | 1            | 0            | 1             |
|                          | ACRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 0          | 275          | 73           | 348           |
| Southwest Area           | FIRES | 6             | 0          | 0         | 0          | 0            | 1            | 7             |
|                          | ACRES | 11,942        | 0          | 0         | 0          | 0            | 2,406        | 14,348        |
| Rocky Mountain Area      | FIRES | 0             | 1          | 0         | 0          | 0            | 0            | 1             |
|                          | ACRES | 0             | 25         | 0         | 0          | 0            | 0            | 25            |
| Eastern Area             | FIRES | 0             | 0          | 1         | 1          | 4            | 1            | 7             |
|                          | ACRES | 0             | 0          | 10        | 95         | 422          | 178          | 705           |
| Southern Area            | FIRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 0          | 28           | 0            | 28            |
|                          | ACRES | 0             | 0          | 0         | 0          | 645          | 0            | 645           |
| <b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>      |       | <b>6</b>      | <b>6</b>   | <b>1</b>  | <b>2</b>   | <b>33</b>    | <b>5</b>     | <b>53</b>     |
| <b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>      |       | <b>11,942</b> | <b>152</b> | <b>10</b> | <b>122</b> | <b>1,342</b> | <b>2,751</b> | <b>16,319</b> |

**Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Ownership):**

| Area                     |       | BIA           | BLM           | FWS            | NPS           | ST/OT          | USFS             | TOTAL            |
|--------------------------|-------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Alaska Area              | FIRES | 0             | 0             | 2              | 0             | 2              | 1                | 5                |
|                          | ACRES | 0             | 0             | 18             | 0             | 33,218         | 38               | 33,274           |
| Northwest Area           | FIRES | 14            | 91            | 20             | 2             | 9              | 394              | 530              |
|                          | ACRES | 9,554         | 6,963         | 1,159          | 29            | 1,128          | 56,302           | 75,135           |
| Northern California Area | FIRES | 7             | 2             | 11             | 17            | 0              | 219              | 256              |
|                          | ACRES | 102           | 219           | 3,796          | 2,693         | 0              | 20,489           | 27,299           |
| Southern California Area | FIRES | 0             | 5             | 9              | 5             | 0              | 148              | 167              |
|                          | ACRES | 0             | 71            | 1,075          | 1,138         | 0              | 4,962            | 7,246            |
| Northern Rockies Area    | FIRES | 14            | 32            | 58             | 13            | 88             | 449              | 654              |
|                          | ACRES | 5,438         | 6,243         | 14,247         | 956           | 3,635          | 26,820           | 57,339           |
| Great Basin Area         | FIRES | 4             | 30            | 9              | 15            | 43             | 105              | 206              |
|                          | ACRES | 150           | 8,202         | 5,422          | 2,575         | 1,909          | 36,754           | 55,012           |
| Southwest Area           | FIRES | 20            | 31            | 3              | 9             | 5              | 165              | 233              |
|                          | ACRES | 14,698        | 26,931        | 92             | 2,333         | 3,365          | 92,377           | 139,796          |
| Rocky Mountain Area      | FIRES | 37            | 37            | 68             | 34            | 71             | 92               | 339              |
|                          | ACRES | 9,213         | 5,305         | 27,065         | 13,864        | 4,602          | 42,686           | 102,735          |
| Eastern Area             | FIRES | 87            | 0             | 367            | 35            | 1,092          | 254              | 1,835            |
|                          | ACRES | 45,614        | 0             | 52,240         | 6,441         | 85,842         | 59,081           | 249,218          |
| Southern Area            | FIRES | 24            | 0             | 197            | 68            | 12,331         | 948              | 13,568           |
|                          | ACRES | 4,767         | 0             | 162,624        | 51,754        | 717,702        | 849,885          | 1,786,732        |
| <b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>      |       | <b>207</b>    | <b>228</b>    | <b>744</b>     | <b>198</b>    | <b>13,641</b>  | <b>2,775</b>     | <b>17,793</b>    |
| <b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>      |       | <b>89,536</b> | <b>53,934</b> | <b>267,738</b> | <b>81,783</b> | <b>851,401</b> | <b>1,189,394</b> | <b>2,533,786</b> |

\*\*\* Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. \*\*\*

Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <http://gacc.nifc.gov/>

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Broad high pressure aloft remains across the U.S. A cold front will push south through the Plains and the East, bringing scattered snow to the New England area. High pressure at the surface over the Midwest will keep conditions dry and mild. A cold front approaching the West Coast will bring rain to coastal Washington, Oregon and northern California. A few showers will continue in the southern Rockies and West Texas. Temperatures will cool across the northern and central Plains, the Midwest and New England. Above normal conditions will continue in the Gulf and Mid-Atlantic states. The West will be mild to the north and the interior, hot in the south. Breezy conditions will continue in southern California.

<http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>



## Veteran's Day

**Historical Summary:** On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in the First World War, then known as "The Great War." Commemorated as Armistice Day beginning the following year, November 11th became a legal federal holiday in the United States in 1938. In the aftermath of World War II and the Korean War, Armistice Day became Veteran's Day, a holiday dedicated to American veterans of all wars.

Today, celebrating this holiday brings to mind the many connections the military has with the mission of firefighting for the land management agencies. This offers an opportunity to learn more about our military coworkers and our interesting and intertwined past. The following is a look at just a few.

The use of military resources in wildland fire suppression begins August 20, **1886** as the Army leads troops into Yellowstone National Park where forest fires had raged for months. The men are ordered to battle the flames, beginning the federal government's role in forest fire control. It is the Army firefighters and their successors at Yellowstone that develop firefighting strategies and tactics that are still used today. The troops in Yellowstone National Park become the first paid wildland firefighters.

**1939** - The newly organized Alaska Fire Control Service and the military suppress fires in Alaska during World War II. Smoke from these fires was a hindrance to flight and considered a threat to national security.

**1940** – US Army Major William H. Lee visits the USFS Region 1 (Northern Region) smokejumper training camp at Seeley Lake, Montana. He later incorporates Forest Service techniques in the establishment of the U.S. Army Airborne. Major Lee commands the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne during World War II and becomes known as "Father of the Airborne Troops."



*Fire suppression efforts are aided by six Army and two Marine battalions, MAFFS and 57 helicopters.*

**1945** - Continued expansion of the smokejumper program and returning war veterans increase the number of jumpers from 110 to 220. During the severe fire season of 1945, smokejumpers prove to be invaluable firefighters. Members of the [555<sup>th</sup> Parachute Infantry Battalion](#), the nation's first African-American parachute infantry battalion, are trained at timber jumping and firefighting to combat Japanese incendiary balloons. Though the balloons did not materialize, the 300 paratroopers are used as suppression crews on large fires throughout the west. The 555th respond to 36 fire calls and make a total of 1200 individual jumps. In addition to the 555<sup>th</sup>, 14 military pararescue jumpers are also trained. By **1946**, USFS Region 1 has 146 jumpers, 84% of them war veterans. The same year, Region 6 (Pacific NW Region) sees smokejumping's first fatality in

the line of duty, Private First Class Brown, a medic and member of the 555<sup>th</sup>.

**1956** – The XH-40, the "granddaddy" of the H-1 helicopters, makes its first flight. The [Bell UH-1 "Huey"](#) later becomes the representative helicopter of the Vietnam era and the most successful military aircraft in aviation history. The influx of combat-trained pilots post-war naturally fit in well with the challenges of flying fire suppression missions. To get firefighters on the ground quick, fire managers utilize the helicopter for rappel; adopting and adapting the military technique.

The Modular Airborne Firefighting System (MAFFS) program military supports firefighting efforts by providing Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve units flying in military C-130 aircraft equipped as airtankers to support wildland fire suppression activities. Aircrews get annual training and are certified by NIFC. It is a NMAC responsibility to ensure that all civilian resources are committed before placing orders for military resources. Once that decision is made and mobilization begins, Incident Management Teams must be ready to work with these resources.

**Discussion Question:** *There is a very good chance that we will all work with the military on a wildland fire or all-hazard incident sometime in our career. Identify several hurdles we can expect to encounter that could affect the safety of the operation:*

- 1) *for aviation missions*
- 2) *for ground operations*

